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Vienna, January 3.

MOst of the Electors having excused their meeting the Emperor at *Ratisbonne* in the present conjuncture of Affairs, there is now no more discourse of his Imperial Majesties going thither; but on the contrary, it is said, that he will continue here, lest his removal might give a discouragement to these parts; and at the same time all possible care is taken to provide for the safety of this City: The Suburbs instead of being demolished are to be fortified, with a Ditch and Pallisadoes; The Burghers fit for service are to be well instructed in the exercise of their Arms; and all unnecessary persons are to be put out of the place. We gave you an account in one of our last, that the Emperor had given out Commissions for five new Regiments; but the Levies are not yet begun, the Officers demanding more Moneys, and time for the raising the said Regiments, than are allowed them. Great Magazines are providing in several places on the *Waag* for the service of the Imperial Army, which it's designed shall encamp on that River; and Ingeniers have been sent to *Raab*, *Comorra*, *Javarin*, and *Leopolstadt*, to see that the Fortifications of those places are in the condition they ought to be. From *Hungary* they write, That the *Turks* have put a Garison into *Caschaw*, and that Count *Teckeley* had withdrawn the Troops he had there, from whence some would conjecture that there is no great confidence between the *Turks* and the *Hungarians*; The Letters add, That the Plague is broke out at *Caschaw* and other places: and a report is spread abroad, that Count *Teckeley* is dead; but it needs a confirmation. The *Turks* have attempted three several times to make themselves Masters of the Island *Schut*, but have been as often repulsed; Several Regiments are on their march to reinforce the Imperial Troops there, and the Emperor has ordered several Forts to be built for their greater security. The Duke of *Saxe-Eysenach* is arrived here.

Francfort, January 11. From *Ratisbonne* we have an account, That the Electoral Colledge have written a Letter to the Emperor, wherein they earnestly desire, that a Treaty may be forthwith begun upon the *French* Propositions. The 8th Instant the Deputies of the Empire that remained here, met the last time, and took their leaves of one another in order to their return home. Prince *Waldecke*, and the Counts of *Nassaw* and of *Solms* are arrived here. From *Vienna* they write, That the King of *Sueden* has offered to assist the Emperor with 10000 Men against the *Turks*, upon condition the Emperor pay them.

Cologne, January 12. We had some days since a report here, that the *French* were making preparations in the Country of *Eyffelt* to receive six thousand Men, which, it was said, they intended to lodge there; but it was a Report which had no foundation, for we have certain advice, that the *French* have quitted and demolished the Castle of *Aremberg*, and that they have removed the Artillery and Ammunition that was there, to *Charlemont*. The Elector of *Cologne* having written to the Chapter of St. *Lambert* at *Liege*, desiring them to send a Deputation hither, they accordingly deputed four of their Body, who arrived here some days since, and have been several times with his Electoral Highness, he being desirous to consult with them concerning an accommodation with the City of *Liege*. The Deputies of that City had yesterday a Conference with the Bishop of *Strasburg*, the Deputies of the Chapter of St. *Lambert* being present; and things seem at present in a better disposition to an accommodation, than they lately were.

Liege, January 4. Monsieur *de la Rudiere*, the *French* Resident here, being come back from *Cologne*, whither he went to Confer with that Elector concerning the Affairs of this City, did on the 26 past acquaint these Magistrates, That his Electoral Highness did positively insist to be restored to all the Rights and Prerogatives he formerly enjoyed, and that he had prayed the most Christian King, in case this City continued obstinate, to cause the Cittadel (which the *French* sometime since demolished) to be rebuilt; and that the King his Master had commanded him (the said Resident) to let them know, That though he desires they should give his Electoral Highness all the satisfaction that is due to him, yet that he will dispose his Electoral Highness to yield to such a Temperament as may restore Peace and Tranquility to their City, provided they do on their part make such reasonable offers as may be an inducement to his most Christian Majesty to persuade his Electoral Highness to content himself therewith; but, that if they shall refuse to make the Submissions and Reparations to his Electoral Highness that becomes them, they will have reason to fear, that his said most Christian Majesty will have other thoughts concerning them, which may not be so much to their advantage. The Magistrates hereupon thought fit to Assemble the 32 Trades or Companies, to acquaint them with what the said Resident had communicated to them, that they might take a Resolution therein; And the said Companies met accordingly, and with the Concurrence of the Magistrates, declared, That they thought this Proposition of the *French* Resident contained several points very prejudicial and dangerous to their Priviledges, and ordered, that their Deputies at *Cologne* should be made acquainted therewith; and that they should impart the same to his Electoral Highness and his Ministers, and gain what light they could